



# The Pirates' Chantey

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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE EAST CAROLINA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



*Groundbreaking of East Carolina Teachers Training School, July 2, 1908*



1907-2007  
CENTENNIAL

East Carolina University's Centennial Celebration will take place between March 8, 2007 (marking 100 years since the day East Carolina Teachers Training School was chartered) until October 5, 2009 (marking 100 years since the first students enrolled).

Visit the Centennial Web site ([www.ecu.edu/centennial](http://www.ecu.edu/centennial)) to learn more about the celebration and upcoming events.

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## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION LAUNCHES NEW DESIGN OF PIRATEALUMNI.COM

As an ongoing effort to keep East Carolina alumni connected to ECU and to one another, the East Carolina Alumni Association recently launched a new Web site and online community. Here's a few of the highlights:

### Alumni Directory

Register for the site and use the password-protected directory to search for friends and classmates as well as update your information. Be sure to share your e-mail address with us so we can keep you connected to ECU with *PiratePulse*, our monthly e-newsletter.

### Class Notes

Let your friends and classmates know about job promotions, birth announcements, marriages, and more.

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# Dear Pirate Nation,



## Happy Centennial East Carolina!

As East Carolina prepares to embrace a second century of service to the citizens of eastern North Carolina and our state, we also take this time as an opportunity to reflect on our humble beginnings, our bold ambitions and our many achievements. The East Carolina Centennial is upon us and we look forward to celebrating with you.

East Carolina has always been about people. Our Centennial is, in part, a celebration of people and their collective memories that make this institution so special. Here are a few:

### Our Humble Beginnings

Mattie Moye King Gaylord '12 recalled "October 5, 1909, East Carolina Teachers Training School was opened for admittance of students. There was no tuition charge, provided the student promised to teach after graduating. An administration building, two dormitories, a dining hall, power and electric plant and an infirmary were built on a high sandy hill where cotton was formerly cultivated. All are still standing and in use except Austin, and no other buildings were in the vicinity of campus. The path leading to the school was impassable with deep mud during rainy weather and too sandy in fair weather. Boards were placed upon which to walk from Five Points to campus. In inclement weather, our cook drove me back and forth in a horse-drawn buggy."

Henry Oglesby '32, first male graduate, remembered "The only place we had to go when not in class was to the library in the Whichard Building. Needless to say, we did not always go to the library to study, check out a book, or to do research. Over in the corners and in the stacks were the only places we could go to hold a girl's hand or to speak privately to her. Miss Gray was librarian and Miss Margaret Sammon was assistant librarian. There were several student assistants. They helped check-out books and do a little "policing" in the stacks. You always met 'her' at the library."

### Our Bold Ambitions

"I am frankly proud of the service East Carolina College has rendered to this state and quite honestly hopeful that we will be allowed to play a greater role," said



Dr. Leo Jenkins during our quest to gain university status. "The case for East Carolina can be stated quite easily. The college feels that it has achieved success in developing its academic program and that it has reached the maximum level of service it can achieve as a college. If East Carolina is to achieve a greater degree of service and offer broader

opportunities to the people of North Carolina, the General Assembly must broaden its scope by elevating it to university status."



In his inaugural address, Chancellor Steve Ballard continued to set a bold and ambitious vision for ECU. "North Carolina cannot be a great state without a thriving eastern region. North Carolina needs the east and for the east to prosper, ECU must prosper. It is clearly a time for a new beginning for eastern North Carolina, with

ECU as a leader, a catalyst, and a partner. Our aspirations for ECU are bold and significant...and more importantly, they are all built on existing foundations. Through the quality of our work and our willpower, we can transform our region. We will do the right thing for our university and our state."

### Our Many Achievements

Rod Gray '94, a former Pee Dee the Pirate mascot, remembers "One of my fondest memories while at ECU



was the football season in 1991. WE BELIEVE! I was one of the "Pee Dee the Pirate" mascots. What a magical year this was for the football Pirates and everyone involved with East Carolina University. We

finished 11-1, ranked #9 in the country, Robert Jones was an All-American, Bill Lewis was the National Coach of the Year, and we beat NC State on the last play of the game at the Peach Bowl in Atlanta. It did not get much better than that."

Dr. Randy Chitwood, Senior Associate Vice Chancellor and Chief of Division of Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery, described the significance of using the da Vinci Surgical System developed at ECU, "To cardiac surgeons, using minimally invasive robotic



devices is comparable to the Wright Brothers learning to fly." Dr. Chitwood performed the first robotic total mitral valve repair in the United States in 2000 at ECU.

These memories are just the tip of the iceberg. At East Carolina, we have much to celebrate. I hope to see you on campus soon to pay tribute to our past and look enthusiastically on our bright future.

### GO PIRATES!



Paul J. Clifford  
Associate Vice Chancellor for Alumni Relations  
Charter Life Member



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## MISSION

The East Carolina Alumni Association will inform, involve, and serve members of the East Carolina family throughout their lifelong relationship with the University.

## WHY THE PIRATE'S CHANTEY?



A chantey is a song sung by Pirates in rhythm to their daily chores. *The Pirate's Chantey*, the official newsletter of the East Carolina Alumni Association, sings the praises of our alumni and volunteers whose loyalty and support are the backbone of our organization.

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## Career Center

Search for/post jobs and résumés, submit your business card, offer your service as a mentor to current students or recent graduates as well as get expert advice from The Career Center through our Pirate Career Calls.

## Events Calendar

See if an alumni event is coming to your community.

## Podcast/Newsfeeds

Subscribe to podcasts of our weekly radio show *A Pirate's Life for Me!* and monthly Pirate Career Calls. Do you RSS? If so, sign-up to receive instant news feed updates of alumni news and campus news.

## REGISTER TODAY!

To register for PirateAlumni.com, click on *First Time Users* in the top left corner of the page. Use your last name and your Constituent ID (9-digit number after your name) located on the mailing address label of this newsletter.

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The Alumni Tailgate isn't just for football season! Between the Pirates softball doubleheader against Houston (1:00 and 3:00 p.m.) and the Pirates baseball game against Southern Miss (6:00 p.m.) on Saturday, April 28, the East Carolina Alumni Association will host our popular Alumni Tailgate from 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. For Tailgate reservations and more information, visit [PirateAlumni.com](http://PirateAlumni.com) or call 800-ECU-GRAD. Attendance at softball games is free; baseball tickets may be purchased through the Athletic Ticket Office by visiting [www.ecupirates.com](http://www.ecupirates.com) or calling 800-DIAL-ECU.

### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ACCEPTS INVITATION TO CAAE

The East Carolina Alumni Association is pleased to announce our selection for membership on the Council of Alumni Association Executives (CAAE). CAAE is made up of approximately 80 alumni associations that represent both private and public institutions, with associations that are largely independent or interdependent. The majority derives much of their funding from self-generated sources, including a dues-based membership and a proactive marketing approach. "This invitation is a reflection of the national and international reputation of East Carolina University and our growing alumni program. Our participation in this prestigious organization will bring additional recognition to ECU," said Paul J. Clifford, Associate Vice Chancellor for Alumni Relations at East Carolina.

John Feudo, CAAE President and Associate Vice President for Alumni Relations at Boston College said, "CAAE is comprised of many of the leading alumni organizations in North America. We reach out to strong alumni offices with solid professionals managing those programs. Paul J. Clifford and East Carolina University clearly represent the type of individual and alumni association we welcome to our group."

East Carolina joins the alumni associations at NC State, Duke, and UNC-Chapel Hill as the only CAAE institutions in North Carolina.

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*This family attended our Freshmen Sendoff series, another way for alumni to assist with the admissions process.*

### PIRATE ALUMNI ADMISSIONS CONNECTION

The Pirate Alumni Admissions Connection program was created in response to alumni interest in supporting their alma mater and a desire to extend the reach of the Admissions Office through volunteer recruitment efforts of well-trained and knowledgeable alumni across the US. Next to students, alumni and friends are East Carolina's greatest assets. With your help, we can continue to set high standards for admission and recruit the very best students. For more information, please contact Chris Murphy (252-328-1714 or [murphyc@ecu.edu](mailto:murphyc@ecu.edu)).

### ECU AMBASSADORS

The student alumni group, the ECU Ambassadors, was founded in the fall of 1980 for the purpose of serving as a link between students, alumni, faculty, and the administration of East Carolina University. The Ambassadors have been recognized for their hard work, spirit, and dedication from the beginning. As the official student representatives of East Carolina, they serve the Alumni Association, the Chancellor's Office, the Office of Admissions, the Department of Athletics, and our surrounding community at various events throughout the year.



Currently there are 57 ambassadors representing five states and two countries. They represent all nine undergraduate schools and colleges. During the 2005-2006 academic year, the Ambassadors volunteered a combined total of 4,700 volunteer hours at over 150 events. They have already volunteered over 2,250 hours during the current academic year. ECU Ambassadors are the reigning Homecoming Spirit Cup winners and have won the coveted cup seven out of the past 12 years. If you were an ECU Ambassador and would like to share a memory about your experience, please visit the Centennial Web site ([www.ecu.edu/centennial](http://www.ecu.edu/centennial)) and "Share Your ECU Memory."

## Where can a Pirate Voyage take you?



Together with Quixote Travels, the Alumni Association has planned opportunities for alumni and friends of East Carolina to vacation together in 2007. Currently we are offering cruises to Bermuda and the Mediterranean Riviera and will be announcing future trips soon. Call Quixote Travels (252-757-0234 or 800-346-6158) or visit [PirateAlumni.com](http://PirateAlumni.com) for information on these and upcoming Pirate Voyages!



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## CAN YOUR IDENTITY BE STOLEN?

Do you know how identity theft can negatively affect the lives of you or your loved ones? More and more people are becoming victims of identity fraud, which leads to credit report issues and may prevent one from purchasing a new home or automobile.

### How Identity Theft Occurs:

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- Steal your mail
- Get your personnel or business records at work
- Through receipts or employees who are their friends
- Internet

### How to Protect Yourself:

- Make sure you know what security measures are put in place at work to protect your personnel file.
- Lock away personal information in your home so roommates or service workers cannot help themselves.
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## UPCOMING ALUMNI EVENTS

### March 29

Tomorrow Starts Here in Charlotte

### April

Durham/Orange County Chapter Meeting (location and date TBA)

### April 4

Tomorrow Starts Here in Winston-Salem

### April 5

Pirate Career Call: Customer Service Skills

### April 6

ECU Night at the Carolina Hurricanes

### April 27

Chancellor's Tour - San Francisco

### April 28

Alumni Tailgate (Baseball & Softball)

MN Chapter BBQ & Volunteer Project

### May

Durham/Orange County Chapter Meeting (location and date TBA)

ECU Night at the Durham Bulls (date TBA)

### May 3

Pirate Career Call: Diversity Workshop

### May 4

Viewing parties for baseball at Houston

### June

Greater Greenville and Black Alumni Chapters - CMN Telethon (date TBA)

### June 11

Tidewater Virginia Chapter - 12th Annual

E. Marvin Slaughter and James A. Johnson Memorial Golf Tournament

### June 13

ECU Cypress Glen Club Quarterly Social

### June 15

Rocky Mount/Wilson Chapter - ECU Night at the Carolina Mudcats

### June 16

Pirate Voyage - Bermuda cruise departs

### mid June - late July

Incoming Freshmen Sendoff series

### July 14

Pirate Voyage - Mediterranean Riviera cruise departs



### April 13-14

Great Pirate Purple Gold Pigskin Pigout Party  
PirateFest - A Treasure Trove of Opportunities

### April 14

Black Alumni Chapter - Minority Family Day @ ECU Open House  
Alumni Board Annual Meeting  
Native American Alumni Chapter - 14th Annual ECNAO Spring Powwow  
Alumni Association Scholars Luncheon



[www.piratefestnc.com](http://www.piratefestnc.com)

For details on these and other upcoming alumni events in the Pirate Nation, visit [PirateAlumni.com](http://PirateAlumni.com) or call 800-ECU-GRAD.



# TOP TEN REASONS TO JOIN THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

## 1 EAST CAROLINA PRIDE

Membership shows a commitment to the University and pride in supporting the programs that make East Carolina a strong and successful community. Reminisce and brag – East Carolina is the fastest growing institution of higher learning in North Carolina! The excellence we have achieved in the arts, teacher and nurse preparation, world class medical training, and accessible online education coupled with our multi-million dollar economic impact explains why there is no doubt people call us the University FOR North Carolina. Through the Association, alumni will always have a place within the University and the University will always have a place in the lives of her alumni.

## 2 AWARD WINNING COMMUNICATIONS

*East* magazine and *A Pirate's Chantey* informs readers of East Carolina's achievements, challenges, people, and programs. Communications also include Internet-based media such as *PiratePulse*, RSS feeds, podcasts, and *PirateAlumni.com*, your 24/7 connection to East Carolina.

## 3 DEDICATION TO OUR STUDENTS

The Alumni Association is committed to our current students as future alumni. The Association annually invests over \$50,000 in student programs, services, and scholarships.

## 4 MEMBER-ONLY PROMOTIONS

Your Alumni Association membership allows access to a variety of special promotions including discounts nationwide, early notification of programs and events, and member's-only event pricing like our \$5 tailgate. Keep your membership card handy so you can take advantage of all member discounts. Show your Pirate Pride on the road with your car decal; replacements are available upon request.

## 5 ALUMNI CAREER SERVICES

The Career Center and the Alumni Association partner to offer the Pirate Alumni Network (PAN) and Pirate Career Calls. Alumni can volunteer their time to offer guidance to current ECU students who are interested in learning more about prospective professions.

## 6 FACULTY SUPPORT

The Alumni Association assumes the responsibility of awarding outstanding faculty. Each year, the Association recognizes three East Carolina faculty members for their dedication, commitment, and arduous work. We also support the programs and communications of the Retired Faculty Association.

## 7 CONNECTIONS THROUGH PARTICIPATION

Events and programs are developed and offered each year for alumni to come home to East Carolina either on campus or with alumni and guests across the Pirate Nation. Examples of these events include Homecoming, reunions, tailgates, Chancellor's Tour, and golf tournaments. Member dues help support opportunities for alumni to stay connected to campus, classmates, and our world-class faculty.

## 8 TORCHBEARERS OF TRADITION

From Homecoming and the Golden Alumni Ceremony to ECU's Annual Birthday Celebration and the Senior Candlelight Ceremony, tradition abounds at dear ole East Carolina and your Alumni Association's support keeps these traditions alive and well. In addition, new traditions like Walk the Plank, Class Ring Day, and Senior Week have been ignited through the ideas and support of alumni volunteers.

## 9 STUDENT RECRUITMENT

Care for and be part of the growth of East Carolina through programs such as ECU Today and Freshmen Sendoffs. These programs are important to bringing quality youth to East Carolina and alumni play a role in helping students choose ECU as their university of choice.

## 10 INCREASE ECU'S NATIONAL RANKINGS

A strong Alumni Association makes a stronger university and increases the value of an East Carolina degree. The Chancellor often emphasizes "that for East Carolina to continue to be the University FOR North Carolina, strong alumni support is critical." National ranking organizations agree. In fact, "alumni participation" is included in their evaluations and ultimately, in how they rank an institution. Membership in your Alumni Association helps ECU rise in national rankings.

# JOIN TODAY!



## Call 800-ECU-GRAD





## Embrace Your Inner Pirate.

Staying in touch with your inner Pirate is about keeping connected to East Carolina – your University, your people, your traditions. East Carolina Alumni Association members make-up a community of people who have a shared ECU experience, who care about the university, and who want to stay connected to it. The Alumni Association is here to keep you connected to ECU throughout your lifetime.

By becoming a member of the Alumni Association, you are supporting alumni programs and scholarships and showing your commitment to excellence at ECU. In return, you will receive additional communications about East Carolina and alumni events in your area. You will also receive discounts on dining, travel, and entertainment locally and nationwide. Best of all, you will have pride in membership.

The East Carolina experience creates a sense of passionate pride among alumni and friends. Every member of the ECU family has an inner Pirate and we say embrace and let it show!

**ARRRGCGHHH**  
**you a member???**  
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### MEMBERSHIP TYPES

#### Annual Memberships:

☐ Pride

☐ Individual \$35 ☐ Joint\* \$50

#### Lifetime Memberships:

☐ Forever Pirate

Individual: ☐ Full: \$750 ☐ Installments: \$200 semiannually for 2 years

Joint\*: ☐ Full: \$1,000 ☐ Installments: \$275 semiannually for 2 years

☐ Senior Forever Pirate (60 or older)

☐ Individual: \$500 ☐ Joint\*: \$750

#### Centennial Memberships:

☐ Centennial Pirate (paid in full) \$5,000

☐ Centennial Pirate (installment) \$2,500 initial payment with  
 balance due within 6 months

\*living at the same address

### PAYMENT OPTIONS

☐ Check enclosed payable to **East Carolina Alumni Association**

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**Brenda Myrick '92**  
Alumni Association President

*"East Carolina University gave me so much both academically and socially. I learned about giving as a student in our nursing program. My Alumni Association membership and service is driven by my desire to make ECU better for future Pirates!"*

Join Alumni Association President Brenda Myrick '92 as a charter member of the East Carolina Alumni Association. Membership in the Alumni Association helps to provide quality programs and services such as Pirate Career Calls and the Pirate Alumni Network, traditional activities such as Homecoming and reunions, alumni and faculty awards, and student scholarships. As a member, you will join the ranks of alumni like Brenda who demonstrate their pride, dedication, and commitment to East Carolina University.

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